

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 402775/AOYAMA

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Takayuki HISAKA

Application No.: 10/660,705

Patent No.: 6,876,011

Issued: April 5, 2005

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

REQUEST FOR REFUND OF PUBLICATION FEE

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.211 (e), please issue a refund in the amount of \$300.00 to Deposit Account No. 12-1216 refunding the publication fee because the patent application that matured into U. S. Patent 6,876,011 was never published. The publication fee was paid February 23, 2005 pursuant to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due.

The priority claim for the referenced patent application indicated that publication should have occurred in August of 2004. The Official Filing Receipt projected publication on August 19, 2004. Yet no publication occurred as shown by the file history and the issued patent. Therefore, the publication fee was improperly demanded and paid.

MAR-03-2006 09:51

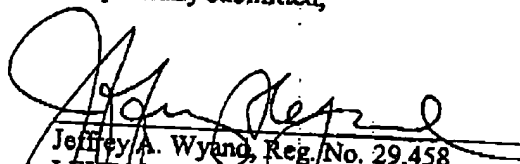
LEYDIG VOIT AND MAYER

202 737 6776 P.02

In re Appln. of Takayuki HISAKA
Serial No. 10/660,705

A prompt refund is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


Jeffrey A. Wyand, Reg. No. 29,458
LEYDIG, VOIT & MAYER
700 Thirteenth Street, N.W., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20005-3960
(202) 737-6770 (telephone)
(202) 737-6776 (facsimile)

Date: May 31, 2005

Refund (Revised 1/14/05)